

Offered by Senator Rolfes

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By Committee on Ways & Means

1 On page 319, line 28, after "department", strike all material
2 through "2023." on line 33, and insert "to maintain and enhance carbon
3 sequestration and storage of existing forests on state trust lands,
4 consistent with RCW 70A.45.100. Lands must remain in trust status.
5 Funding may be used to purchase replacement lands, including private
6 lands at risk of conversion, may be disbursed to compensate
7 beneficiaries, and/or used to acquire additional harvestable forest
8 land to be held in trust to support timber supplies to local mills.
9 Funding may be used for administrative costs, including the cost of
10 additional staff to conduct land transactions pursuant to the intent
11 of this subsection."

12 EFFECT: Replaces language in the current proviso with language
that specifies the funding is for carbon sequestration along with
other trust land responsibilities.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

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